

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to recognize Eliott Farms LLC. Its agricultural contributions to the State of Colorado, as well as its valuable historical and cultural traditions, have helped make Colorado a leader in agricultural production.

RECOGNIZING CHIEF NICHOLAS
SENSLEY

HON. TOM MCCLINTOCK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 13, 2011

Mr. MCCLINTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Police Chief Nicholas Sensley of Truckee, California.

Chief Sensley began his public service in law enforcement in 1987 as a police and fire dispatcher with the UCLA Police Department. Nicholas was promoted to Police Officer in 1988 after graduating from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Academy STARS Center, where he would begin serving as a Recruit Training Officer in 1990—one of the earliest returning instructors in the Academy's history. In May of 1991 he joined the Santa Rosa Police Department where he served in numerous assignments until ultimately departing in November 2008 as Patrol Lieutenant. In December of that year, Nicholas was appointed Chief of Police in Truckee, where he has served to this day.

Nicholas's service to the communities in which he has lived undoubtedly deserves the thanks and appreciation of his many constituents, but it is impossible to measure his contribution as a public servant if we limit the examination to California alone. Throughout his career, Chief Sensley has developed an expertise in mitigating the terrible plight of human trafficking that affects millions each year. He has worked as a consultant and developer in the United States, Europe, Asia, Africa, and the South Caribbean since 1998, playing an instrumental role in facilitating training, education and effective counter-human-trafficking initiatives globally. He has also been acknowledged as an international expert on significant community problem-solving by the US Department of Justice, the US Department of State, the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), the International Centre for Migration Policy Development, and by other international governments and organizations for his contributions.

Mr. Speaker, it is with a grateful heart that I rise today to thank Chief Nicholas Sensley for his many years of public service to the people of California. I wish him well as he retires from police work to accept a position to continue advancing human freedom with Humanity United in Washington, DC.

IMMACOLATA MANOR 30TH
ANNIVERSARY

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 13, 2011

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating the outstanding achievement of Immacolata Manor in

Liberty, Missouri, for celebrating 30 years of providing habilitation services to persons with developmental and intellectual disabilities.

Immacolata Manor's mission is to focus on the values and principles of community membership, self-determination, human rights, and basic needs, so that each individual will be supported and empowered to achieve their highest potential and to live their lives with dignity and respect.

The beautiful property on which Immacolata Manor is located is a former country estate, centering around a handsome colonial house that stands on 40 acres. Immacolata Manor opened in 1981 by several women who all had daughters with developmental disabilities. In recent years, they have been successful in raising funds to build five fully-accessible homes. They currently provide residential services to 31 adults.

Some of the residents are employed in local businesses. Those who are not employed are able to participate in the great My Day Program, conducted on the Manor campus. This community integration program includes individualized recreational and life skills activities designed to meet the needs of each participant.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me in applauding Immacolata Manor for their exceptional dedication to providing residential and habilitation services to persons with developmental disabilities. Immacolata Manor is a true community partner and Liberty landmark. I wish the agency 30 more years of greatness to come.

HONORING THE SOLO CUP
COMPANY

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 13, 2011

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation:

Whereas, seventy-five (75) years ago Leo J. Hulseman established the Paper Container Manufacturing Company in Chicago, Illinois and by the 1940s began manufacturing a paper cone cup known as the "Solo Cup" which provides unparalleled hygiene and convenience to consumers; and

Whereas, the "Solo Cup" was such an inspiration that the company itself was renamed Solo in the 1940s and become a brand that would become ubiquitous across America and the world; and

Whereas, Solo Cup, has grown to be a \$1.6 billion company and has demonstrated its concern for the environment by introducing many product lines relying on compostable and renewable sources; and

Whereas, Solo Cup is a recognized industry leader in the areas of sustainability and beautification receiving the 2010 Keep America Beautiful Corporate Leadership Award; and

Whereas, The Solo plant in Conyers, Georgia is a place where 400 of our citizens are employed and is an enthusiastic participant in Georgia's Work Ready Program and;

Whereas, The Solo Company has proven to be a great corporate citizen supporting community outreach and educational initiatives by working closely with public officials, the Conyers-Rockdale Economic Development Council and the Rockdale Chamber of Commerce and;

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize the Solo Company, its management and employees for leadership and service to our district;

Now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr., do hereby proclaim September 13, 2011 as Solo Cup Company Day in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 13th day of September, 2011.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF HOMELESS
VETERANS OUTREACH CAM-
PAIGN KICK-OFF BY THE DE-
PARTMENT OF VETERANS AF-
FAIRS

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 13, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure to be here today to join the local Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) as they announce the launching of their Homeless Veterans Outreach Campaign.

According to the National Coalition for the Homeless, there are between 130,000–200,000 homeless veterans on any given night. That means that homeless veterans constitute nearly one-fourth to one-fifth of the total homeless population. There is an increasing number of female homeless veterans. Studies have demonstrated that women who served in the military are more likely than their non-serving counterparts to experience homelessness in their lifetime. It is clear that we must do more to prevent and address homelessness in the veteran's community.

Current members of our armed services have been asked to endure multiple tours in Iraq and Afghanistan, increasing the likelihood that they will experience significant levels of stress and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder. The stresses of deployment and low-levels of social support when they return home are just some of the factors that can lead to homelessness. With high levels of unemployment, foreclosures, and continued economic hardship across the country and in the State of Ohio, it is harder than ever for returning veterans to reintegrate post-service.

That is why the outreach campaign by the VA to increase awareness of services available to veterans who are homeless or are at risk of becoming homeless is so important. Veterans need to know that they have the support they need when they return from a tour abroad.

Homelessness can be ended. It can be ended by ensuring that there are decent jobs that provide a living wage, access to health care and affordable housing and adequate support for those who can no longer work.

I am committed to ensuring that the VA has the resources it needs to provide returning veterans with the care they need and to expand their services to eradicate homelessness among veterans.